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EPA CITES WAYNE METALS FOR CLEAN-AIR VIOLATIONS

CHICAGO (DATE) – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 has filed an administrative complaint against Wayne Metals LLC for alleged Clean Air Act violations at the company's metal coating facility at 400 E. Logan St., Markle, Ind. EPA proposed a \$54,000 penalty.

EPA alleges Wayne Metals violated federal regulations and its state operating permit by emitting excessive amounts of hazardous air pollutants from January 2007 to January 2008. The information was included in the company's annual compliance report.

EPA notified Wayne Metals of the alleged violations in May 2008 and met with the company to discuss the finding in June 2008.

Wayne Metals has 30 days from receipt of the complaint to file an answer and request a hearing. It may request an informal conference with EPA at any time to discuss resolving the allegations.

Hazardous air pollutants may cause serious health effects including birth defects and cancer. They may also cause harmful environmental and ecological effects.

Information about EPA Region 5's air enforcement program is at http://www.epa.gov/region5/air/enforce/index.html. Potential environmental violations may be reported at http://www.epa.gov/compliance/complaints.

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